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SECRETARY, BOARD OF OIL, GAS & MINING

Board of Oil, Gas and Mining P.O. Box 145801 Salt Lake City, UT 84114-5801

Re:

Docket 2012-016 Cause No. 179-17

Gentlemen:

The Bureau of Land Management supports the above referenced request for agency action.

The Ponderosa Unit was approved on April 9, 2012, effective May 1, 2012. A copy of the approval letter is enclosed.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Michael Coulthard of this office at (801) 539-4042.

Sincerely,

Aya L Bankert
Roger L. Bankert

Chief, Branch of Minerals

Enclosure

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Kerr-McGee Oil & Gas Onshore, LP c/o LimpusJones, Inc.
111 South Kentucky Avenue
Roswell, NM 88203-4518

Dear Ms. Limpus Jones:

The Ponderosa Unit Agreement, Uintah County, Utah, is effective May 1, 2012, pursuant to Section 20 of the unit agreement. This agreement has been designated No. UTU88209X.

Approval of this agreement does not warrant or certify that the operator thereof and other holders of operating rights hold legal or equitable title to those rights in the subject leases which are committed hereto.

The basic information is as follows:

- 1. The area to be unitized and form of unit agreement was approved under the unit plan regulations of December 22, 1950, and by Bureau of Land Management (BLM) letter of December 5, 2011, as amended January 19, 2012.
- 2. A unit operating agreement was not submitted as Kerr McGee is the sole working interest owner in the unit area.
- 3. All formations are unitized.
- 4. The unit area embraces 10,028.57 acres, more or less, of which 9,066.25 acres (90.40 percent) are Federal lands; 962.32 acres (9.60 percent) are State lands.

The following leases embrace lands included within the unit area:

*UTU33433	UTU38420	UTU38425	*UTU40736
UTU37355	UTU38421	UTU38426	UTU72028
*UTU38261	UTU38423	UTU38427	UTU73450
UTU38419	*UTU38424	UTU38428	

^{*} Indicates lease to be considered for segregation by the BLM pursuant to Section 18(g) of the unit agreement and Public Law 86-705.

All lands and interests are fully committed.

In view of the foregoing commitment status, effective control of operations within the unit area is assured. We are of the opinion that the agreement is necessary and advisable in the public interest and for the purpose of more properly conserving natural resources.

A Certification-Determination signed by the School and Institutional Trust Land Administration for the State of Utah is attached to the enclosed Ponderosa Unit Agreement.

Copies of the approved agreement are being distributed to the appropriate Federal offices. You are requested to furnish all interested parties with appropriate evidence of this approval.

Sincerely,

Myn L Burkert
Roger L. Bankert

Chief, Branch of Fluid Minerals

Enclosure

cc:

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ONRR w/Exhibit B (Attn: Leona Reilly)

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